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Interview Summary	Application No. 10/074,420	Applicant(s) MULE' ET AL.	
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Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.
If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 1 and 29.

Identification of prior art discussed: Boysel (US 5,278,925), Koh (US 5,416,861), Horiguchi (US 3,950,073), Wojnarowski (US 5,737,458) and Kimerling (US 2002/0076188).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: the examiner informed the applicant that the proposed after-final amendments to the above claims would render the claims allowable over the prior art of record. The amendments also raised new issues that would require future search and consideration in order to determine patentability over the prior art as a whole. In particular, the new issues include: a monolith waveguide, a waveguide core disposed in a fixed position on a lower cladding, the overcoat layer engaging the lower cladding, and the air-gap cladding completely bound on all sides by the overcoat layer, lower cladding and waveguide core.